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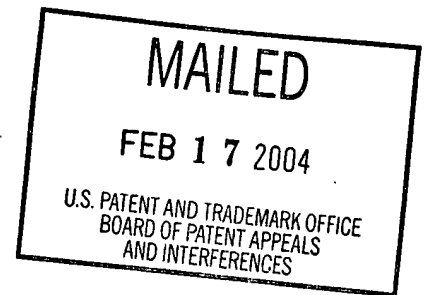
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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Ex parte SHARON F. KLEYNE

Appeal No. 2003-1766  
Application 09/614,790

**ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL**



Before HARKCOM, Acting Chief Administrative Patent Judge, and  
WILLIAM F. SMITH and MILLS, Administrative Patent Judges.

Per curiam.

On January 30, 2004, counsel for the appellant faxed a communication stating:

I am submitting by fax a copy of the Request for Continued Examination that was filed today in the US Patent Office. This application is currently scheduled for an oral hearing before the Board on February 5, 2004. In view of the filing of the RCE, please remove the oral hearing from the docket of the Board and return the examination of the application to the Examiner.

Accordingly, the appeal in this application

- (1) has been removed from the hearing docket, and
- (2) is dismissed.

The application is being returned to the examiner for further action as may be appropriate.

*Demetra J. Mills*  
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Administrative Patent Judge

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